

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
PCT/EP03/04820INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
08 MAY 2003PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
13 MAY 2002

TITLE OF INVENTION: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR FEEDING POWDERED, GRANULAR OR HERB-...

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: FACCHINI, Libero

Applicant herewith submits to the US Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.

2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 USC 371.

3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.

4. The US has been elected (Article 31).

5. A **copy** of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))

- a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
- b. has been communicated by the International Bureau
- c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).

6. An English translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).

- a. is attached hereto.
- b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- c. is not needed since the International Application is in English.

7. Amendments to the claims of the International Appln. under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371 (c)(3))

- a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
- b. have been communicated by the International Bureau.
- c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
- d. have not been made and will not be made.

8. An English translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).

9. An oath or **declaration** of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).

10. An English translation of the annexes to the Int'l Pre. Exam. Report under PCT Article 36 (35 USC 371(c)(5)).

## Items 11. to 20. below concern document(s) or information included:

- 11. An **Information Disclosure Statement** under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.
- 12. An **Assignment** document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 & 3.31 is included.
- 13. A **preliminary amendment**.
- 14. An **Application Data Sheet** under 37 CFR 1.76.
- 15. A **substitute specification**.
- 16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
- 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 & 37 CFR 1.821-825.
- 18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 USC 154(d)(4).
- 19. A second copy of the English translation of the international application under 35 USC 154(d)(4).
- 20. Other items or information:
  - A **copy** of the **Notification of Missing Requirements** under 35 U.S.C. 371.
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In the event that a petition for extension of time is required to be submitted herewith, and in the event that a separate petition does not accompany this response, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee is authorized in 21(c).

Date: 14 October 2004

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Total Claims	22 - 20 =	2	X \$18 =	\$ 36								
Independent Claims	02 - 03 =		X \$88 =	\$								
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)			+ \$300 =	\$								
		<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>		<b>\$ 986</b>								
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½.		-		\$								
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<input type="checkbox"/> Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property		+ \$										
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<input type="checkbox"/> a. A CHECK in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b. A CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$986 to cover the above fees is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-0555. <input type="checkbox"/> d. Do not charge any claim fees now - any additional claims fees will be paid with the Missing Requirements.												
<i>Note: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</i>												
POWER OF ATTORNEY & CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS:  <b>CUSTOMER NO. 00881</b>  Date: 14 OCTOBER 2004		NAME: Marvin Petry REG. NO.: 22752  Signed (for) by: <u>Douglas E. Jackson</u> REG. NO.: 28518										